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TAGS: PFOR VS VN
SUBJECT: GVN CALLS ON DRV AND "PRG" TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS

REF: SAIGON 14010 (NOTAL)

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1. THE GOVERNMENT OF VIET-NAM (GVN) ISSUED A DECLARATION NOVEMBER 7, THE TEXT OF WHICH IS AT PARA 3 BELOW, REJECTING RECENT COMMUNIST CALLS FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE GVN AS A PREREQUISITE TO RESUMING NEGOTIATIONS AT PARIS AND SAIGON AND CALLING ON THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS. DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN ISSUED STATEMENT OF U.S. SUPPORT NOVEMBER 7, THE TEXT OF WHICH IS AT PARA 4 BELOW.

2. ADDRESSEE CAPITALS HAVE NO RESIDENT GVN REPRESENTATION. UNLESS OBJECTIONS PERCEIVED, EMBASSIES ARE REQUESTED TO CONFIDENTIAL

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PASS TEXT OF GVN DECLARATION AND DEPARTMENT STATEMENT TO HOST GOVERNMENT AT HIGHEST APPROPRIATE LEVEL. SUGGEST EMBASSIES USE THIS OCCASION AGAIN TO CONTRAST GVN WILLINGNESS TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT UNDER TERMS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNIST BREAK-OFF OF DISCUSSIONS IN ALL THREE BODIES SET UP BY THE AGREEMENT AND COMMUNISTS' OUT-OF HAND REJECTION NOVEMBER 9 OF THIS MOST RECENT GVN OFFER.

IF APPROPRIATE, EMBASSIES MAY SUGGEST POSSIBILITY THAT HOST GOVERNMENT ISSUE A SUPPORTIVE PUBLIC STATEMENT.
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BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED.

2. FOR BACKGROUND AND USE IN CONTACTS WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS:

A. COMMUNIST SIDE BEGAN BOYCOTTING FOUR PARTY AND TWO PARTY JOINT MILITARY COMMISSIONS, ESTABLISHED BY ARTICLES 16 AND 17 OF THE AGREEMENT, ON JUNE 18. THEY WALKED OUT WHEN THE GVN REFUSED TO EXPAND THE DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES ENJOYED BY THE PRG AND DRV DELEGATIONS TO THE COMMISSIONS IN SAIGON. THE ISSUE IS ENTIRELY EXTRANEIOUS TO THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE AGREEMENT. ITS INTRODUCTION IS AN EFFORT BY THE COMMUNISTS TO

IMPOSE CONDITIONS ON WHAT ARE UNCONDITIONED OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE AGREEMENT. (IN FACT, THE GVN HAS GONE TO CONSIDERABLE LENGTHS TO GRANT PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES TO THE COMMUNIST DELEGATIONS IN SAIGON.) THE GVN'S NOVEMBER 7 CALL TO REOPEN THE FORUMS SET UP BY THE AGREEMENT IS, AS NOTED, UNCONDITIONED.

B. THE COMMUNIST SIDE SUSPENDED ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE BILATERAL TALKS IN PARIS, CALLED FOR IN ARTICLE 12 OF THE AGREEMENT, ON MAY 13. THEY STATED THIS WAS IN RETALIATION FOR THE RESTRICTION OF PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES IN SAIGON, ALLEGED GVN "OBSTRUCTIONISM" IN THE TALKS (NOT FURTHER DEFINED) AND ALLEGED GVN CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS. AGAIN, WHILE THE COMMUNISTS HAVE CONDITIONED THEIR PARTICIPATION ON ISSUES EXTRANEIOUS TO ARTICLE 12, THE GVN'S NOVEMBER 7 CALL IS UNCONDITIONED.

3. BEGIN TEXT OF GVN STATEMENT:
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DECLARATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM
ON THE SABOTAGING OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27,
1973 BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE:

ON OCTOBER 8, 1974, THE SELF STYLED NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT OF SOUTH VIET-NAM ISSUED A STATEMENT CALLING FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET-NAM AND THE ESTABLISHMENT IN SAIGON OF AN ADMINISTRATION TO THEIR OWN-LIKING, AS PREREQUISITES TO THEIR AGREEING TO RESUME THE NEGOTIATIONS-TO IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. ON OCTOBER 11, THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION VOICED THEIR TOTAL SUPPORT OF THESE ARROGANT DEMANDS.

THIS REPRESENTS A NEW AND VERY GRAVE ESCALATION BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE IN THEIR SCHEME OF COMPLETELY, UNCEASINGLY AND SYSTEMATICALLY SABOTAGING THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF

JANUARY 27, 1973 ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING PEACE IN VIET-NAM.

IN FACT, THROUGH THEIR STATEMENT OF OCTOBER 8, 1974, THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAVE DANGEROUSLY RENEGED ON THEIR OBLIGATION TO SETTLE ALL MATTERS OF CONTENTION THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AS PROVIDED IN THE AGREEMENT THEY HAD PLEDGED TO HONOUR. THEY IMPUDENTLY IGNORED ONE SIGNATORY TO THE AGREEMENT. THEY ALLOWED THEMSELVES TO RAISE ANEW AN ABSURD DEMAND WHICH THEY HAD BEEN OBLIGED TO DROP BEFORE THE SIGNING OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THEY PUBLICLY CLAMORED FOR THE FORCIBLE OVERTHROW OF THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET-NAM, THUS ADVOCATING THE USE OF FORCE IN LIEU OF THE PRINCIPLE OF RECONCILIATION AND CONCORD PRESCRIBED BY THE AGREEMENT.

THIS MEANS THAT, IN UTTER CONTEMPT OF THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAVE EXPLICITLY CALLED OFF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND PUBLICIZED THEIR INTENTION TO RESORT TO VIOLENCE IN AN ATTEMPT TO BRING DOWN THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET-NAM SO AS TO SUBMIT THIS COUNTRY TO THE TOTALITARIAN RULE OF THE COMMUNIST AUTHORITIES IN HANOI.

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THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM SOLEMNLY DENOUNCES BEFORE INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION THIS SHAMEFUL ACT OF NEGATING THE PARIS AGREEMENT PERPETRATED BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM EARNESTLY APPEALS TO ALL PEACE-AND-FREEDOM-LOVING GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES IN THE WORLD TO TAKE ADEQUATE ACTION TO STILL THE CRIMINAL HAND OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE WHICH ARE NOW TEARING THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND POURING MORE DESTRUCTIONS AND SUFFERINGS IN SOUTH VIET-NAM.

THE COMMUNIST SIDE CANNOT SHIRK THEIR RESPONSIBILITY OF

SABOTAGING THE AGREEMENT BY THEIR USUAL FALLACIOUS ARGUMENTS AND FALSE ALLEGATIONS ABOUT THE RVN GOVERNMENT'S GOOD WILL FOR PEACE AND DETERMINATION TO STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. NEITHER CAN THEY DENY THE FACT THAT SINCE THE SIGNING OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT UP TO NOW, THEY KEEP ON VIOLATING THE AGREEMENT IN A VERY GRAVE AND SYSTEMATIC MANNER BY COMMITTING OVER 60,000 VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASE-FIRE DURING THE PAST 21 MONTHS, BY NON-COOPERATING WITH AND PARALYZING THE ICCS, BY INFILTRATING MASSIVELY TROOPS AND EQUIPMENTS INTO SOUTH VIETNAM, BY ENLARGING INFILTRATION ROUTES AND ESTABLISHING

MILITARY AIRFIELDS, BY CONTINUING TO DETAIN POW'S AND CIVILIANS OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM, BY HAMPERING SEARCH MISSIONS FOR PERSONS MISSING IN WAR, AND BY UNILATERALLY

WITHDRAWING FROM, THEN EXPRESSLY CALLING OFF THE NEGOTIATIONS HELD IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENT, AT LA CELLE SAINT CLOUD AND IN SAIGON.

THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM SEVERELY CONDEMN THE COMMUNIST SIDE FOR THEIR DISREGARD OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, AND RESOLUTELY DEMAND THEM TO CEASE THEIR SABOTAGING ACTS FORTHWITH. THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM DEMAND THAT THE COMMUNIST SIDE RETURN TO THE NEGOTIATIONS AT LA CELLE SAINT CLOUD AND IN SAIGON, WITHOUT ANY PRECONDITION, AS

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PRESCRIBED IN THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27, 1973,
SAIGON, NOVEMBER 7, 1974. END TEXT.

4. BEGIN TEXT OF DEPARTMENT STATEMENT:

IN A DECLARATION ISSUED BY VIETNAMESE FOREIGN MINISTER
VUONG VAN BAC IN SAIGON ON THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 7 THE
VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT CALLED FOR THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO
RETURN TO THE CONFERENCE TABLE AT LA CELLE ST.CLOUD IN
PARIS, WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS, TO RESUME THE DISCUSSIONS
LOOKING TOWARDS A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT WHICH BEGAN THERE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 12 OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. YOU
WILL RECALL THAT THE COMMUNIST SIDE ISSUED A STATEMENT
ON OCTOBER 8 CALLING FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE LEGAL
GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIET-NAM AS A PRECONDITION TO THEIR
AGREEING TO RETURN TO THE CONFERENCE TABLE. THE VIET-
NAMESE GOVERNMENT DECLARATION ALSO CALLED FOR RESUMPTION
OF THE TALKS IN SAIGON ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CEASE-
FIRE (THE TWO PARTY COMMISSION AND THE FOUR PARTY JOINT
MILITARY TEAM).

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REGARDS THIS PROPOSAL AS
HELPFUL TO THE CAUSE OF PEACE IN VIET-NAM IN THAT IT
CALLS FOR THE VIETNAMESE PARTIES TO RESUME THESE TALKS
IN AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE THE CONTINUING IMPASSE IN VIET-NAM.
WE THEREFORE SUPPORT THIS CALL BY THE VIETNAMESE GOVERN-
MENT AND HOPE THAT ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL RETURN TO THE
CONFERENCE TABLE AS PROVIDED IN THE PARIS AGREEMENT. END
TEXT. KISSINGER

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